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TO AMEMBASSY BERLIN PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: APER, PDIP, GE, US (BOLEN, DAVID)

SUBJECT: ARRIVAL PROCEDURES AND SUGGESTED STATEMENTS

REF: BERLIN 6625

1. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES EMBASSY'S DETAILED AND THOUGHTFUL RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR SUGGESTIONS ON ARRIVAL PROCEDURES AND STATEMENTS FOR AMBASSADOR BOLEN. THIS CABLE COMMENTS ON PROCEDURES AND CONTINGENCY QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FOR PRESS. SEPTTEL WILL DEAL WITH TALKING POINTS FOR PRESENTATION TO HONECKER.

2. AMBASSADOR WILL NOT REPEAT NOT MAKE FORMAL PUBLIC ARRIVAL STATEMENT TO JAHNSNOWSKI OR PRESS AND, IF POSSIBLE, PREFERS TO AVOID EARLY MEETING WITH PRESS. HE CONCURS, IN ANY EVENT, WITH EMBASSY PREFERENCE THAT ANY  
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QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION BE POSTPONED TO UNSPECIFIED DATE AFTER CREDENTIALS PRESENTATION AT EARLIEST.

3. WHILE WE CANNOT PREDICT WHAT QUESTIONS MIGHT BE ASKED BY PRESS, WE THINK ANSWERS SHOULD AVOID BERLIN THICKET TO EXTENT POSSIBLE. WITH THIS IN MIND, WE RECOMMEND THAT ANSWERS PROPOSED PARA 7, REFTTEL BE

AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

SECOND QUESTION. DELETE FINAL SENTENCE OF ANSWER.

THIRD QUESTION. IN THIRD SENTENCE OF ANSWER, ADD QUOTE REPRESENTING PRIVATE US FIRMS AND GDR COUNTERPART ORGANIZATIONS UNQUOTE AFTER QUOTE A US-GDR TRADE COMMITTEE UNQUOTE.

FOURTH QUESTION. IN SECOND SENTENCE OF ANSWER, DELETE QUOTE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE GDR UNQUOTE AND ALL AFTER QUOTE GDR AUTHORITIES UNQUOTE.

SIXTH QUESTION. IN FIRST SENTENCE OF ANSWER, ADD QUOTE WHICH WE EXPECT TO CONTINUE UNQUOTE. DELETE FINAL TWO SENTENCES.

SEVENTH QUESTION. SUBSTITUTE THE FOLLOWING AS ANSWER:  
QUOTE I DO NOT KNOW THE SECRETARY'S PRECISE SCHEDULE BUT DO KNOW THAT IT IS A BUSY ONE. IN GENERAL, IT CONTINUES TO BE OUR POLICY THAT HIGH-LEVEL MEETINGS, HOWEVER DEFINED, SHOULD FOLLOW OR OFFER PROMISE OF YIELDING SUBSTANTIVE PROGRESS OF ISSUES OF CONCERN TO BOTH SIDES UNQUOTE.

4. WITH REGARD TO OTHER QUESTIONS THAT MAY ARISE,  
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THE AMBASSADOR WILL RELY ON THE PUBLIC STATEMENTS  
PREPARED FOR HIS HEARING. VANCE

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